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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed January 29, 2004 (Paper No. 01262004), Applicants hereby elect Group III, claims 19, 20 and 21, for continued examination, without traverse. Submitted herewith is a request for extension of time to respond of four months, together with the appropriate fees, extending the time to respond from February 29, 2004, to June 29, 2004. This response is therefore timely filed.

Applicants expressly reserve their right under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to file a divisional application directed to the nonelected subject matter during the pendency of this application, or an application claiming priority from this application.

Applicants request examination of the elected subject matter on the merits.

In the unlikely event that the transmittal form is separated from this document and the Patent Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, Applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorize the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing 300622004620. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

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